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Re: Docket Numbers 98N-1230; 96P-0418; 97P-0197

Gentlemen:

The FDA should prohibit the practice of forced molting because it has been scientifically shown to promote disease by destroying the starving hens' immune systems plus it is a primary cause of infectious diseases in hens, eggs and consumers. The FDA has jurisdiction to ban farm practices, such as forced molting, that injure human health. It is also cruel to the hens.

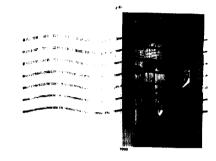
Please do more than put Bacteria warning labels on egg cartons and regulate egg refrigeration temperatures.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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